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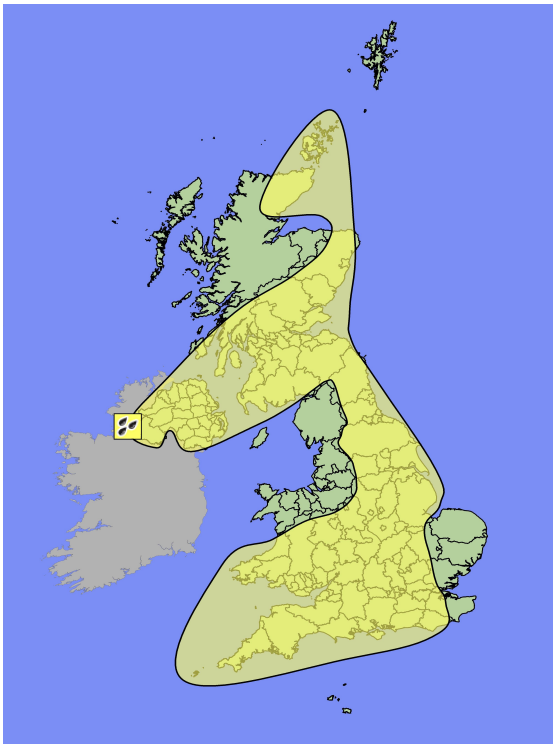

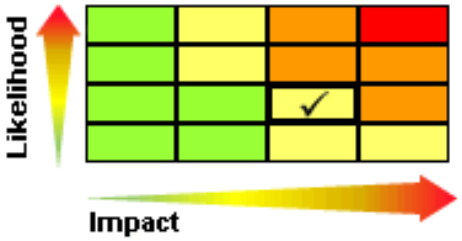

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Another active frontal system with strong to gale force winds for a time will move north-eastwards across most parts of the UK on Saturday and Sunday. This will bring bands of heavy rain to many areas. Rainfall totals of 20-30 mm are expected fairly widely, but 50mm or more may fall in some locations, particularly exposed upland areas of south-western parts of England and parts of eastern Scotland.

The rain will fall as snow over the mountains of Scotland for a time. Combined with the strong to gale force southeasterly wind, blizzard conditions are likely along with drifting.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Sat, 22nd Dec 2012** until **12:00 on Sun, 23rd Dec 2012**

Further bands of heavy rain accompanied by strong winds are expected to move north-eastwards across many parts of the UK through Saturday and Sunday. Given that the ground is already saturated, the public should be aware of the risk of further localised flooding.

Please also refer to the amber warnings where the risk of disruption is greater.

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